

Mobile County Commission Notice of Comment Period and Public Hearing

The purpose of this notice is to provide a 30 day period for citizens' comments regarding the proposed amendment to the Mobile County Consortium 2013 Action Plan which sets forth the activities to be undertaken with funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Mobile County Commission will also hold a public hearing to take citizens' comments prior to final adoption of the proposed amendment at the regular County Commission meeting to be held at 10:00 a.m. on December 9, 2013, in the auditorium, located on the ground floor of the Mobile Government Plaza, at 205 Government Street in Mobile, Alabama. As lead agency for the Mobile County Consortium, the Mobile County Commission prepares an Action Plan which sets the activities to be undertaken with funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The amendment proposes changes to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) activities and to Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) activities.

In addition to the 2013 CDBG allocation of \$1,652,536, the proposed amendment includes reallocation of \$121,850 from overages from previous years' activities. The PY2013 CDBG activities include:

PY2013 ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN WITH CDBG FUNDS		
Public Facilities/Works	Amount Allocated	Amended Amount
1. Road Resurfacing – City of Prichard	\$220,000	\$276,000
2. Road Resurfacing – City of Chickasaw	\$125,000	\$125,000
3. Waterline Relocation – Mobile County unincorporated	\$352,052	0
4. Public School Improvements	\$354,514	\$145,000
5. Construction of Homeless Facility	\$100,000	0
6. Rehabilitation/Accessibility for Group Home	\$18,500	\$50,000
7. Rehabilitation of Facility for Handicapped Services	0	\$50,000
8. Demolition and Construction of Senior Center – Town of Mount Vernon	0	\$350,000
9. Dist. 3 Bridge Renovation – City of Bayou La Batre	0	\$200,000
Total amount allocated to public facilities/works	\$1,170,066	\$1,196,000
Public Services	Amount Allocated	Amended Amount
10. Homebuyer Counseling	\$25,000	\$3,284
11. Prescription Drug Assistance	\$10,000	\$15,000
12. Child Abuse Victim Assistance	\$16,200	\$25,000
13. Home Modifications – ADA Compliant	\$10,000	\$10,000
14. Senior Services Activities	\$50,000	\$50,000
15. Victim Service Provider Assistance	\$13,000	\$13,000
16. Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy	\$7,500	\$7,500
17. Summer Youth Program	\$25,000	\$33,700
18. Juvenile Transitional Program	\$50,000	\$50,000
19. Homeless Prevention Project – Legal Assistance	0	\$30,395
20. Food Program for Seniors – Grand Bay Senior Center	0	\$10,000
Total amount allocated to public services	\$206,700	\$247,879
21. General Program Administration and Planning	\$330,507	\$330,507
TOTAL CDBG BUDGET	\$1,707,273	\$1,774,386

The County proposes amending the PY2013 ESG project activities by cancelling Homelessness Prevention and adding Rapid Re-Housing. The proposed activities include:

PY2013 ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN WITH ESG FUNDS		
ESG Activity	Amount Allocated	Amended Amount
Emergency Shelter	\$45,000	\$45,000
Homelessness Prevention	\$36,000	0
Rapid Re-Housing	0	\$36,000
Homeless Information Management System (HMIS)	\$28,400	\$28,400
Administration	\$8,870	\$8,870
TOTAL ESG BUDGET	\$118,270	\$118,270

A complete and detailed copy of the proposed amendments will remain on file at the offices of the Mobile County Commission and will be available for public examination and copying upon request at the Mobile County Government Plaza, 205 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. The proposed amendment is also available on the County web page, mobilecountyal.gov under Grants Department. Public comment will be accepted beginning November 6, 2013 until 10:00 a.m. December 9, 2013, excluding holidays. Written comments are to be sent to Mr. John Pafenbach, County Administrator, Mobile County Commission, 205 Government Street, Mobile, AL 36644. The public hearing will be accessible to all. If you have a disability which may require special materials or assistance, please notify Cathy Burden at (251) 574-8099 at least 48 working hours prior to the hearing.

Spanish translation and/or clarification will be provided upon request, please call Cathy Burden at (251) 574-8099. La traducción y/o la clarificación española serán dados si hay solicitud, Llame por favor Cathy Burden (251) 574-8099.

Merceria Ludgood, President
Mobile County Commission

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